

Ibstone CE Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Families,

It is wonderful to be back in school, I have thoroughly enjoyed being able to catch a glimpse of the whole school practising their nativities. Today, for the first time since we came back to school in September, we have been together as a whole school. Socially distanced of course! The great Ibstone Nativity 'Sing Off' was amazing! Well done everyone!



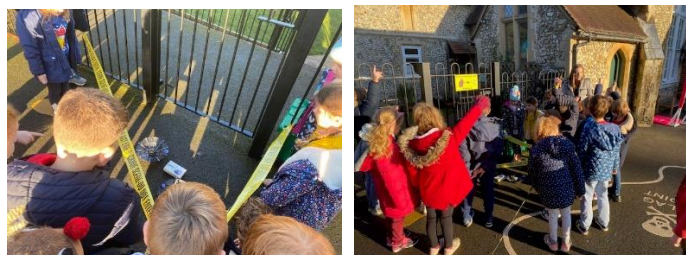
What we have been learning this week:

Ladybirds have been singing nursery rhymes this week. They have painted their own version of Van Gogh's 'Starry Night' to accompany 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star', changed the last line of Hey Diddle Diddle and have thoroughly enjoyed acting out Humpty Dumpty. Ladybirds have also read 'Little Lumpty' and have been writing their own ending to the story. In mathematics they have been focussing on 4 and 5. They have explored all the combinations to make 4 and 5 and have been using the 5 frame. They have enjoyed playing lots of different number games.

Woodland Class have continued to learn the story 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' using their text maps. They have been using and applying their skills from last week to write shopping lists for Sophie and her Mum. The children have also spent time writing the story as part of their accurate write.

In mathematics, they have all continued learning about money, the Year 1 shop has been in full swing with customers using coins to purchase essential items. Year 2 have been solving problems using their money, addition and subtraction skills.

Woodland Class have had a very exciting end to their week, they received a call to ask them to investigate a crime scene on the playground. Rumour has it that a small spacecraft may have crash landed on the playground! I wonder what happened!



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Woodland Class have also been working hard to learn the songs and their lines for the nativity!

Kestrel Class have been learning how to write in the 1st person and have written the story of Vidar, the boy warrior, from his point of view. In mathematics they have been learning about multiplication and division. Year 3 have been sharing into groups and dividing numbers by 2, 5 and 10. Year 4 have been multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100.

Osprey Class have continued to read their class text and this week have focussed on writing an extended description of Lupe's journey through the forbidden forest.

In mathematics, Year 5 have been multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000, they have then moved on to multiplying by multiples of 10, 100 and 1000's eg by 70, 500, 3000. Year 6 have been using fractions of numbers to solve problems and have revisited co-ordinates, looking at four quadrants and using translation and reflection.

It would appear that two new pupils have joined Osprey Class this week. I have heard that they are baaahaving well and love working hard!



Forest School News

Year 1 & 2 were set the challenge of finding 24 things that could make a Forest School Advent calendar. They enjoyed listening to the story of 'The Tree That's Meant to Be'. They all enjoyed lots of tree climbing too!

Year 3 & 4 continued to think about spine poems in Forest School this week and have made up their own poem about Forest School! They then enjoyed den making and exploring the Forest School area.

Year 5 & 6 have had the opportunity to start some Christmas crafts... watch this space!



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In other news:

Nativity Photos Orders

Danny will be at school on Tuesday 1st December to take some special Nativity photos. All children will have a full length individual photo, plus a whole cast photo in their costumes. He has arranged a special Nativity Black Friday/Weekend offer for all prepaid orders. Please see prices below:

Option	Product	Usual Price	Offer Price
1	6x4" unmounted	£9	£5
2	8x6" mounted	£12	£8
3	10x8" mounted	£13	£9
4	Keyring x 2	£11	£8
5	Mug	£15	£11

If you would like to pre order an individual and/or whole group photo, please complete the survey monkey attached to the newsletter email and make payment to the school fund by **Tuesday 1st December** (we will make sure Danny gets paid!) with the reference DHN(your child's name).

After the event, all parents will be sent a link to a class nativity photo gallery where you will be able to view and purchase more photos of your own child, including some action photos of the Nativity. Those who have made a pre-order purchase will also receive a discount code for any further purchases. If you haven't pre ordered, you will still be able to access the gallery but the products will all be full price!

Decking

A huge thank you to Lunnon & Tilbury who have come to our rescue again at short notice to improve the decking area. They are currently onsite removing all of the old timber and replacing the joists and installing new non-slip decking! I can't wait to share photos of the new decking next week!

THANK YOU! Community Matters Collection

A huge thank you to those of you who have donated chocolates and biscuits for our collection. The collection ends on Tuesday 1st December, so if you haven't yet donated, don't worry, there is still time.

Raffle Tickets

The ballot box for collecting tickets will be out on the playground on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th during drop off and at the end of the day on these days. Please send in all unsold tickets as well as the stubs and money of those that have been sold.

The draw will take place during a special **Raffle Draw Zoom at 1pm on Friday 11th December** (please note change of time), a link will be sent out in due course. Don't worry if you can't join us for the draw or you have sold tickets to people outside our school community, we will arrange for all prizes to get to the winners before the end of term.

Have a good weekend!
Louise Long
Headteacher

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Headteacher Awards



Forest School Award



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Diary Dates
New or amended dates in BOLD

Date	Occasion	Who?
November 2020		
Tues 24 th	Parents' Meetings – Woodland Class only	Woodland Parents
Fri 27 th	Parents' Meetings – Woodland Class only	Woodland Parents
Mon 30 th	Parents' Meetings – Woodland Class only	Woodland Parents
December 2020		
Tues 1 st	Nativity Photos	All children
Fri 4th	Nativity Filming (please note no Forest School for Osprey Class)	All children
Mon 7 th	Woodland Nativity (please note no Forest School for Woodland Class)	Woodland Class
Tues 8 th	Kestrel Nativity	Kestrel Class
Wed 9 th	Flu immunisations	All children
Thurs 10 th	Ladybirds Nativity	Ladybirds Class
Fri 10 th	Raffle Draw Zoom 1pm	Everyone
Fri 10 th	Osprey Nativity	Osprey Class
Fri 18 th	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
January 2021		
Mon 4 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 5 th	Back to school 8.50am	Everyone
February 2021		
Fri 12 th	End of Term	All children
Mon 22 nd	Back to school 8.50am	All children
March 2021		
Thurs 4 th	World Book Day – more info to follow	Everyone
Fri 19 th	Sport Relief – more info to follow	Everyone
Wed 31 st	End of Term 1.30pm	All children
April 2021		
Thurs 1 st	INSET DAY	Staff only
Mon 19 th	Back to school 8.50am	All children
Sun 25 th	Ibstone Circle 5k & 10k	Everyone
May 2021		
Mon 3 rd	Bank Holiday	Everyone
Fri 28 th	End of Term	Everyone
June 2021		
Mon 7 th	INSET DAY	Staff only
Tues 8 th	Back to school 8.50am	All children
July 2021		
Tues 20 th	End of Term 1.30pm	Everyone
Wed 21 st	INSET DAY	Staff Only
August 2021		
TBC	Ibstone Horticultural Show	Everyone
September 2021		
Wed 1 st	INSET Day	Staff only
Thurs 2 nd	School starts for all children	All children

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